

Remarks

Favorable reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the following remarks. For the reasons set forth below, Applicant respectfully submits that the claimed invention is allowable.

The Examiner's communication dated April 13, 2005, indicated that claims 3-6, 8, and 16 are incomplete because the claims from which they depend have been cancelled by the examiner in compliance with the Decision on Appeal dated March 16, 2004.

In accordance with the Examiner's communication, Applicant has amended claims 3, 8 and 16 to include limitations of their respective base claims. As claims 4-6 depend from claim 3 (now independent), each of the claims, 3-6, 8 and 16 are now complete and in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests that each of the pending claims be allowed.

Since independent claims 1, 10 and 11 have been canceled, Applicant submits that no fees should be due for the three new independent claims, 3, 8 and 16. However, if any fees are required authorization is hereby given to charge such fees or credit any overpayments that may be deemed necessary to Deposit Account No. 01-0365 (TT2335).

In view of the above discussion, Applicant believes that the application is in condition for allowance. A favorable response is requested. Should there be any remaining issues that could be readily addressed over the telephone, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (651) 686-6633.

Respectfully submitted,

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